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1. Eastbound transports which moved through Frankfurt/Oder between 1 and 12 December and on 31 December 1948 (figures for 13-30 December not available):

No. of Trains	No. of Cars	Description of Transports
29	1,326	Unspecified (closed cars)
1	49	Toys, articles made of wood*
1	54	Cellulose
3	141	Large boxes of unspecified content
2	108	Kitchenwares (pots, pans, etc)*
1	44	Candles, soap*
2	39	Leather goods, textiles
3	129	Textiles
1	42	Curtain materials, blankets
1	54	Glassware and china
1	42	Railroad tank cars, guarded
1	39	Railroad tank cars, containing grain alcohol
1	41	Timber (logs)
2	81	Lumber
1	42	Freight cars, new (Russian gauge and Russian inscriptions)
1	39	Mine cars, new
2	89	Coal
1	40	RR wheels and axles
1	44	27 small locomotives, new
1	47	Scrap iron
1	41	Machine parts
1	42	Barracks parts and lumber
4	130	Military personnel and dependents returning to Russia, approximately 3,650 persons, much luggage

* Transports marked by an asterisk consisted of closed cars whose contents are described only in so far as they could be reliably determined.

The Russian women and dependents who traveled with the military transports came from all parts of the eastern zone.

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Russian railroad workers started in the beginning of December to lay new tracks along the freight and shunting station in Frankfurt/Oder.

2. During the same period, i.e., between 1 and 12 December and on 31 December, 55 empty trains returned from Russia and passed through Frankfurt/Oder on their way to Germany. In addition the following westbound transports were observed moving through Frankfurt/Oder:

<u>No. of Trains</u>	<u>No. of Cars</u>	<u>Description of Transports</u>
1	44	Russian trucks
1	30	Young soldiers, approximately 700, returning from furlough in Russia
4	118	Military personnel returning from furlough in Russia, approximately 3,400 men
4	186	Prisoners of war, approximately 4,900 men

3. During December 1948, the following transports passed through Küstrin-Kietz bound for Insterburg, except where otherwise specified:

<u>No. of Trains</u>	<u>No. of Cars</u>	<u>Description of Transports</u>
12	571	Sugar
13	630	Lumber
4	205	Timber for mines
16	782	Coal*
1	48	Briquettes (destination Königsberg)
5	254	Briquettes
2	80	Machine parts, used
1	10	10 motorboats with cabins, apparently pleasure boats
1	48	Railroad tracks
5	244	Barracks parts, wood
25	1,225	Cement
1	50	Cement (destination Königsberg)
1	40	40 multiple rocket launchers (allegedly destined for the Far East)
1	20	Anti-tank munitions in boxes
1	35	Large boilers for factories
1	10	Machines and machine parts
2	102	Roofing tiles and paper, also lumber
1	72	Trucks, new
8	360	Potash
1	52	Potash (destination Königsberg)

* The final destination of most coal trains, although directed first to Insterburg, appears to be Königsberg.

4. During the month of December, 84 empty trains returned from the east and passed through Küstrin-Kietz on their way to Germany.

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